

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending in the application. The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-7 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Bharatia (U.S. Patent 6,138,007) in view of Bijanki et al. (U.S. Patent 6,539,223). Bharatia discloses methods and systems for late call forwarding when roaming from a GSM system to an IS41 system. Bijanki et al. discloses a mobile communications device having multiple directory number capability.

Claim 1 of the present application recites, among other elements, that a parameter for inserting number identification information **and** a termination trigger parameter are included in the routing information request invoke message. Neither the systems of Bharatia nor Bijanki et al. utilize a parameter for inserting number identification information **and** a termination trigger parameter.

Also, as shown in Fig. 2 and now recited in Claim 1, the parameter for inserting number identification information is also included in the redirecting request invoke message and the transfer number request invoke message of Claim 1. These features distinguish Claim 1 over Bharatia and Bijanki et al. The Examiner is citing Bijanki et al. as specifically disclosing this element and cites col. 1, line 65 to col. 2, line 6. This section explicitly recites that the directory numbers terminate a telephone call, and therefore may be termination trigger parameters, but are not number identification information as recited in Claim 1.

Based on at least the foregoing remarks, withdrawal of the rejection of Claim 1 is respectfully requested.

Independent Claim 1 is believed to be in condition for allowance. Without conceding the patentability per se of dependent Claims 2-7, these are likewise believed to be allowable by virtue of their dependence on their respective independent claims. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of dependent Claims 2-7 is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1-7, are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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